

ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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October 27th to November 2nd, 2024



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

First Reading

Jeremiah 31:7-9
The Lord declares himself to be the Father of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 126:1-2a,2b-3,4-5,6

A song of praise to God who does great things: the Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading

Hebrews 5:1-6 Christ was made high priest by God.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesu' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity.

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him.

When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth.

Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith— "Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering and death.

Sunday Connections thru Diocese of Calgary Communications

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet, but shouted all the louder in prayer "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, please contact the Office of Vocations at 403-218-5500 or email Fr. Cristino Bouvette. **Email: vocations@calgarydiocese.ca**www.catholicyyc.ca/vocations.html

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday from 9:00am to Noon

St Paul's Catholic Church Events & News

TIA per month to meet goal - \$2 646.58	Monthly: CF Loan (mortgage) - \$10 777.00	Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 339.00	
Income for August - \$43 985.75	Expenses for August - \$39 039.50	Income - \$4 946.25	
Income for September - \$47 500.04	Expenses for September - \$46 591.24	Income - \$ 908.80	
YTD INCOME - \$452 085	YTD EXPENSES - \$460 847	YTD LOSS - \$8 762	

Full finances can be found online and, in the hallway, under the parish bulletin board.

St. Paul's **CWL** will be selling Raffle Tickets after all Masses until Nov. 17th See the CWL table in the foyer for:

- (1) sign-up sheets to volunteer or donate Raffle items for the Christmas Market (Nov 23); and
- (2) sign-up sheets to volunteer at the Diocesan CWL Retreat being held in our Parish (Nov 30).

Welcoming new members to CWL – starts Nov 1st

KofC

Airdrie Dream Vacation Winners OCT.6th \$2500 Dream Vacation

> # 476 Gessa Culajara \$120 winners:

47 Ken Schraeder

254 William Hoenmans

533 Bernice Deck

537 Paul O' Leary

Congratulations Next draw is Nov. 3rd.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be hosting our annual *Coats for Kids Campaign* for the month of October. If you have coats, gloves, scarves, and toques that your kids or grandchildren have outgrown, please consider donating them. Collected coats will be dry cleaned and distributed to local children in need of warm winter jackets. Coats can be dropped off in the box in the Church entrance up to Sunday Nov 3rd.

The latest *Faithfully* Released: Oct 21, 2024

<u>Direct link to read the latest Faithfully</u> or <u>Subscribe to Faithfully</u>

Some highlights:

Year II of the Pastoral Renewal

St. Michael's Renewal Gathering

Renewal is a Team Sport:

A Story from the Netherlands

30 Years since the 1st World Meeting of Families

Career & volunteer opportunities

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DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions	
Sunday	Oct 27	9:00am	PRO POPULO – for the people	
		11:00am	RS - Ruben De Leon	
Monday	28		No Mass	
Tuesday	29	12:00pm	SI - Loc & Garry Gall	
Wednesday	30	9:00am	RS - Akouassi Lucienne N'Guessan	
Thursday	31	9:00am	RS - Ernest Stroeder	
Friday	Nov 1	9:00am	ALL SAINTS DAY	
Seniors Home		10:30am	RS - Alex Ramirez Parilla	
Saturday	2	5:00pm	ALL SOULS DAY	

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION	Need the
Sunday	Oct 27	10:30 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.	Anointing of the Sick while in a
		9:00am	Rite of Welcome/Rite of Acceptance	During Mass	Calgary
Monday	28	9:30 to 11:30pm	Office	VoMR	Hospital?
Tuesday	29	9:00 to 10:00am	Men's Bible Study Group	Hall	If you have been
		10:00 to 11:30am	Men's Coffee Group	Hall	admitted to any of
		10:00 to 11:45am	Moms Group	Basement	Calgary's hospitals and would like the
		10:45am	Rosary Group	Nave	Sacrament of
Wednesday	30	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	Anointing of the
		9:00am	OLQP here for Mass	Nave	Sick, you can
		6:30pm	First Reconciliation Session #5	Nave/Hall	contact your parish priest or call
Thursday	31	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	the Diocese of
		9:45am	Coffee and Fellowship	Hall	Calgary Call
		7:30pm	9am Choir Practice	Nave	Centre at 403-231-9505 .
Friday	Nov 1	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	This service is
Adoration		9:00am	School staff here for Faith Day-attend Mass	Nave/Hall	available for
moved to the 8th		1:00pm	Funeral	Nave/Hall	Alberta Children's
		7:00pm	RCIA – fellowship and class	Hall	Hospital, Foothills Hospital,
Saturday	2	10:00am	First Reconciliation Session #5	Hall	Peter Lougheed
		9:30 to 11:00am	Men's Bible Study	VoMR	Hospital,
		3:45 to 4:45pm	Reconciliation		Rockyview
		4:00 to 4:45pm	5pm Choir Practice	S.H.C.	General Hospital, and South Health
Children's Liturgy - Kindergarten & Gr. 1 only every other week, and only at the 11am mass. Nov 3, 17 – Dec 1, 15					

St Paul's Catholic Church Ministries & Sacraments



BAPTISMS – Registration and program details are currently available and done online only through our parish website Sacrament of Baptism for Infants/Children/Youth – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

2023 Baptism Dates: Sunday, Nov 10th,

Saturday, Dec 7th, Sat, Jan 11th, Sat, Feb 8th after 5pm Mass

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCHARIST) COMMUNION

Sacrament of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

CLOSED

CONFIRMATION

Sacrament of Confirmation – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca) WILL OPEN IN NOVEMBER

RCIA – For more information please contact the parish office and the RCIA Coordinator will contact you with details and information on this ongoing program. Sessions start Sep 5th at 7:00pm in the hall. Becoming Catholic as an Adult – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding
First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation or RCIA
please contact Heidi at stpaulssacraments@shaw.ca

MARRIAGES – Please contact the office at least six months before your marriage date.

Marriage – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

If you have any questions or concerns regarding marriages, please contact Wanda at stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca

HOLY ORDERS

Holy Orders – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

PASTORAL CARE

St. Paul's offers Pastoral Care visits for Catholic Parishioners who are unable to attend Mass. Please contact the office if you or someone you know, would like a visit. Pastoral Care workers are trained for visiting and praying with the ill, shut in and offering the Body of Christ to them.



World Mission Sunday,

which was scheduled for Oct 19/20 weekend will be moved to Nov 2/3 weekend,

as a second envelope collection.

Please note those with online credit card donations,
Catholic Education Sunday will still go thru on Nov 3rd
and World Mission Sunday went thru on Oct 20th

Thank you for your financial support

Practice our Faith: At home with your family

Led by a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd catechist, this interactive workshop series equips families with practical tools to grow in faith during Advent. Through prayer, scripture, meaningful discussions, and **hands-on activities**, families will learn to create sacred spaces and devotional items at home, turning the Advent season into a joyful, faith-filled journey that draws all family members closer to Christ.

Practice the Faith: At home with your family Time: 7 PM - 8:30 PM

Location: Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary)

Upcoming Workshop Dates:

Workshop #1 – Wed, Nov 13: Our Family Prayer & Sacred Space Workshop #2 – Wed, Nov 27: Meeting Jesus the Good Shepherd Workshop #3 – Wed, Dec 11: Our Family Advent Journey

Space is limited. **Registration deadline:** November 10, 2024 at https://forms.gle/gfJYJtzjoxf8FMsQ6 or call Mara at 403-218-5521

The **Knights of Columbus** will be conducting their Annual Food drive on behalf of the Veterans Association Food Bank between October 26th and November 10th, 2024.

Food donations are solicited for our Veterans and can be dropped off in the hall at St. Paul's after weekend Masses.

Donations, either foodstuffs (canned and dry goods) or monetary gifts, are greatly accepted. You may want to consider donating a Store Card that will be passed on to a Veteran.

While typical foodstuffs are welcome, the Food Bank is in particular need of the following items:

Peaches/pears	Chef Boyardee	
Tuna	Hamburger Helper	
Saran Wrap	Instant Coffee	
Tuna Kits	Evaporated Milk	
Rice	Stove Top Dressing	
Chocolates	Cleaning Supplies	
Paper Towels	Honey	
Aluminum Foil	Snack Crackers	
Ziplock Bags	Apple Sauce	
Mayonnaise	Shampoo	
Juice	Shave Cream	
Fruit cocktail	Dry beans	
Pickles	Granola Bars	
Cookies	Crackers	
	Instant Coffee	
	Tuna Saran Wrap Tuna Kits Rice Chocolates Paper Towels Aluminum Foil Ziplock Bags Mayonnaise Juice Fruit cocktail Pickles	

Many thanks for your support!

St. Paul's Catholic Church Information

MASS REGULAR TIMES:

Sunday - 9:00 am **Sunday** - 11:00 am **Monday** - No Mass

Tuesday – 12:00 pm **Wednesday** – 9:00 am

Thursday – 9:00 am

NOTE: Nov 7th onwards, Thursday Mass will be at 6:30pm. NO 9am.

Friday – 9:00 am Saturday – 5:00 pm

ADORATION:

First Friday of the month Following the 9:00am Mass in the Nave

NOTE: Nov 1st moved to Nov 8th 9:30am to 5:30pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 3:45 – 4:45 pm or by appointment.

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https://stpaulsairdrie.formed.org.

Click on the 'Register Now' box and create your account by filling in the registration information. Also, once you have signed up, do not forget to download the free iOS or Android app to put FORMED at your fingertips.

We hope you will enjoy this incredible gift and please spread the word to others within our Parish.

New to Airdrie and to our parish community, please fill in our Welcome Form found in the hallway or go to link Newcomers — St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

St. Paul's offers
a Direct Deposit or Credit Card
option for making donations. Tax Receipt
provided in February. Please pick up a
brochure in the parish hallway or go to link
2020 09 revised BLANK Parish Automatic
Withdrawal.pdf (stpaulsairdrie.ca)









For one-time offerings you may also go to https://www.catholicyyc.ca/donatetoparish and select St. Paul's Church.

Tax receipt will be issued from the Diocese.

Good Shepherd School

Kindergarten – Grade 9 1319 Thorburn Drive SE 403 500 2117

Good Shepherd School - Home cssd.ab.ca)

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Kindergarten – Grade 9 1820 1st Avenue NW 403 500 2064

Our Lady Queen of Peace School - Home (cssd.ab.ca)

St. Veronica School

Kindergarten – Grade 9 380 Coopers Drive SW 403 500 2134

St. Veronica - Home (cssd.ab.ca)

St. Martin de Porres High School

Grades 10 – 12 410 Yankee Valley Blvd. SW 403 500 2041

St. Martin de Porres High School - Home (cssd.ab.ca)

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Diocese of Calgary's Pastoral Renewal.

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Catholic Pastoral Centre

120 - 17th Ave SW, Calgary, AB T2S 2T2 Phone: 403-218-5500

www.catholicyyc.ca



Catholic Women's League

For more information, please see their website St. Paul's CWL, Airdrie (stpaulscwl.ca)



Knights of Columbus

For information, please see their website Airdrie Council #8045 (uknight.org)

Store cards are available after all weekend Masses.

TO LIVESTREAM SATURDAY 5:00 PM MASS SEE OUR
YOUTUBE CHANNEL https://www.youtube.com/c/stpaulsairdrie
OR CHANNEL 877 WITH TELUS OPTIC TV